

ALLIANCE ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR 1933

Churches to be Awarded Big Prizes

The Ministerial Alliance Elects New Officers

The Inter-Denominational Ministerial Alliance of this City is reported to have had one of the best meetings last Tuesday in the history of the organization. Quite a few new faces were present. The new pastors together with the Presiding Elders have already become members of the Alliance.

Last Tuesday was election day. It has been the custom of the Alliance for the past six years to allow officers to serve two years provided they were able to render satisfactory service. The Alliance was organized in 1926, with Rev. Roy L. Young as promoter and organizer. When he came to the City there was no Ministerial Alliance operated by the Ministers of Meridian, but he immediately began an effort to organize, and he was successful in doing so. Being the promoter and organizer, he was elected as its first president. Some of those who were responsible for a successful organization were Revs. T. Hutchins, M. J. Sherard, R. N. Jones, H. B. Leach and E. F. Young. After Rev. Young had served two years as President, the Rev. B. W. Coates, Pastor of Union Baptist Church was elected President. He served two successful years. The Rev. M. T. J. Howard, pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church was then elected and his term ends next Tuesday.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

The Newly Elected Officers to serve for another year are Revs. W. G. Wilson Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, President, E. F. Young, Pastor of Zion Hill Circuit, Vice President. M. T. J. Howard, Pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church, Secretary, R. L. Young, Pastor of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, Treasurer. The following ministers compose the Program Committee. Revs. M. Williams, Pastor Congregational Church, Chairman W. B. Coates of Union Baptist Church, Rhedric, Pastor of St. James Church, H. R. Banks Presiding Elder of the A. M. E. Zion Church, L. E. Johnson, District Superintendent of the M. E. Church.

PROGRAM

A program will be sponsored by the Alliance Tuesday night at St. Paul M. E. Church in honor of the outgoing President and other officers.

LITTLE PAL SOCIAL CLUB

In last week's report the name of Miss Marie Emerson as a guest of a New Year dinner given by us was an oversight as she was the only lucky lady receiving an invitation to this affair.

Miss Naomi Crawford will be hostess Sunday January 22nd, at 4:30 P. M.

Miss Laura Pierson was hostess to the Little Pals Social club, Sunday afternoon, entertaining from her residence on 17th Street.

Due to the inclemency of the weather all members were not present. This being the first meeting of the New Year each member present made their resolution which was very pleasing to the president.

During the social hour the hostess served her guest the following menu: Mashed potatoes, cream green peas, fried chicken, hot buttered rolls and hot tea.

Give us your local news not later than Wednesday Morning to Assure Publication in the Same week.

THE WEEKLY ECHO

MADDENED SOLDIER KILLS FOUR; IS SLAIN

Fort Huachuca, Ariz. Jan. 13th (ANP) Driven temporarily insane by the treatment to which he was subjected, Private James H. Abernathy, attendant at the gasoline station here, shot and killed two captains of the Twenty-fifth infantry, killed their wives and shot a lieutenant before he was brought down by a corporal of his race Thursday.

Many of the white officers placed in charge of colored soldiers are from southern states. The first man shot by Abernathy, Capt Joseph R. Wesley, was a native Texan. The lieutenant, Harvey Matthews, is also a Texan. It is an open secret that the relations between Negro soldiers and southern officers are not pleasant.

For sometime there have been complaints among the soldiers here against the treatment accorded them. They are not allowed to deport themselves as soldiers, but more like a regiment of servants for the white officers. The soldiers are said not to be allowed to have their wives with them unless the wives will agree to be domestics in the homes of the officers. Various restrictions which the soldiers detest are placed upon the wives.

The enlisted men have suffered from humiliation for several years and have sought outside help without much of an improvement.

Many of Abernathy's friends believe that he nursed a grievance against the men he killed and just decided to end it all.

CONGRATULATION

As General President of the H. B. A. I wish to congratulate the following Presidents who have been so very prompt in sending in the 25c extra assessment. Thought the date has not yet arrived for this assessment to be in. The names of the President below have already made their report: Mrs. M. J. Phillips No. 224 Shubuta, Rev. M. D. Evans No. 348-Eastbutchie, Mrs. L. Johnson No. 293 Hattiesburg, Rev. H. T. Thompson No. 194 Chunkey, W. M. Barnes No. 93 Sernary, Miss. Mrs. Vinko Clayton No. 42 Lauderdale, Pete Bang No. 377 Perkins' on, Miss James Moore No. 292 Newton, Miss. R. H. Loftin No. 230 Shubuta, Miss. Jake Johnson No. 437 Vance, Miss. Charity Johnson No. Wesson, Miss. Alex Paylor No. 380 Shuqualak, Miss. E. F. Young General President.

CHURCH HAS MAMMOTH SUCCESS

Inspirational week and the Third Anniversary of the Junior Church of Baptis; was indeed a colossal success. The pastor and members are all smiles over the splendid services rendered by Dr. Smith.

On last Sunday evening, in spite of the down pour of rain more than forty came out to listen to the lecture which was a masterpiece. On Monday evening at four o'clock, about two hundred women came out and were electrified by that masterly address. There was an unanimous vote taken by each group that Dr. Smith should be invited to conduct a similar meeting sometime in the near future.

The Pastor wishes to thank the members and friends for their co-operation during this occasion. Our Church is inspired, our young people lifted up, and the pastor is happy. We are ready with God's help to put over a bigger and better program for Jesus. When in need of real

old fashion spiritual service, come on to Union Baptist Church, Davis Street and 38th Avenue.

Rev. B. W. Coates, Pastor

NEWELL CHAPEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Newell Chapel Sunday school officers for the year of 1933 were elected on Sunday Morning January 1st, and the installation of officers was Sunday January 8th. Officers elected expressed themselves willingly as being ready to line up to their task of duty for year. Each class of the Sunday school elected in its class a secretary to make a report of the members present in their class each Sunday. This will be done to see which teacher will have the leading class. All members have made themselves a committee to one each Sunday morning.

One visitor was present in the person of Mr. C. M. Mayfield, of Waynesboro, Miss., and made some very encouraging remarks.

Mr. R. W. Young, Supt.
Miss Fannie D. Dawson, Reporter.

The Willing Worker's Club of Newell Chapel Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Young, 20th Street and 31st, Avenue, Wednesday evening January 11th. There were timely remarks from the pastor Rev. Roy L. Young with reference to the work of the Church in general. The President asked Rev. E. W. Washington, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District, to Preside during the election of officers. The following were re-elected: Mrs. L. W. Wilson, President, Mrs. Chloa Robinson, Vice President, Mrs. E. O. Young, Secretary. Mr. Otis Hopkins Asst. Secretary, Mrs. Hattie McElroy, Treasurer. The Chairman appointed the Program Committee as follows Mesdames Lillie Ree Young Ethel Young and Chloa Robinson. Miss Minnie Cole was elected Painist for the Club and Juanita Young Assistant Painist. The Club had always done effective work and the officers and members are planing big things for this year. The Presiding Elder asked the club to raise \$2.00 on Education to be reported at the Elder's Counsel to be held at Newell Chapel Church Feb. 7-8. The Club had already allowed this amount from the treasure and is just waiting for the time to make its report. The club feels grateful to the Host and Hostess for the manner in which they entertained the club.

Mrs. E. Knox Emergency Treasurer, Mrs. L. W. Wilson, President, Mrs. E. O. Young, Secretary.

PROGRAM OF THE HAVEN RUST CLUB, THURSDAY JANUARY 18th.

Opening son-- Rust College, led by Miss J. M. Webb.

Prayer-- Chaplin.

Song--Jesus Call us, led by Miss M. Gaines

Quotations, Any Author
Minutes of the last meeting
Stunts, Prof. Oliver, Miss Cleo Simmons and Mrs. L. Webb.

Reading--Mrs. E. H. Brooks

Reading Mrs. Mattie Jones

GAMES

Song--Now the Day is Over.

Dismissal--by Chaplain.

Miss Jessie Mae Webb,

Secty. Program committee.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Bohanan, of Kelona, Miss., announces the birth of a baby girl November 30, 1932, who has been named Leona Ruth.

Mrs. Bertha Bohanan before her marriage was Miss Bertha Dawson, of Meridian Miss.

LION WASHINGTON, KANSAS BOY, MAKES GOOD ON COAST

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 13th (ANP) From a perfect stranger to the role of one of the business and political figures of the City within two years is the interesting history of Leon Washington, young 23 year old live wire, residing with his Aunt and Cousins at 847 E. 24 Street. "Wash," as he is familiarly called by his many friends in advertising manager of the California Eagle, organizer and president of the Young Men's Republican club, and prominent in various business and social activities.

Following his graduation from Washburn college he left Topeka, Kansas and with his cousin Loren Miller, city editor of the Eagle came west. They worked for a short while on the California News then started the "Town Talk" a paper of their own. This did well but was absorbed by the California Eagle and the two young publishers added to the staff. Leon is an excellent speaker and turned the state for Congressman Joe Crail in the August campaign. He has also made a number of speeches over the Radio.

MURDER COILS CLOSE AROUND DEAD VETERAN'S WIDOW AND FILIPINO LOVER

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 13th (ANP) Following sterling revelations that Mrs. Eureka Jackson, wife of A. J. Jackson, war veteran found shot to death at their home 1712-114th street, had a Filipino lover whom she helped support, evidence begins to point to them as perpetrators of what was at first reported as a suicide.

The Oriental, Bessie Nery was arrested in bed with Mrs. Willamena Thomas, 9724 Alabama street who, according to information, had also been contributing the Nery's support, both women unaware of the other's liaison. A screen cut from the inside, rifled by the drawers showing deliberation and untouched dust on the window still backed by the woman's hurry to collect the large insurance helped to point suspicion to her and her young lover.

Several Young men met at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Pippins, January 9th for the purpose of organizing a Club for the Young men. They have accepted as their name The Royal Six. The officers are as follows: Willie McKee, Pres.; William Poe, Vice Pres.; Hobera Harrison, Sec'y.; Cyril McKenzie, Treas. and Bus. M. r.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE Henry Johnson. There will be a call meeting Friday January 13th, at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Pippins, at 8:00 O'clock.

ST. JOHN SUNDAY SCHOOL

The St. John Baptist Sunday School opened Sunday Morning January 8th by the Asst. Supt., Bro Luther Noble. The weather being somewhat unfavorable the attendance was not as good as usual. However, all classes were able to function. A short but impressive program was rendered. Bro. B. Brown Supt. made his annual address which was especially interesting. Only a few changes were made in the election of officers.

Each officer seems to be willing to help make out of the Sunday what it should be.

The Installation of Sunday School officers will be held at the church, Sunday February 12th at 2:30 P. M. A program for that hour promises to be an interesting one.

REV. I. GARLAND PENN, JR.

For the past few weeks there seems to have been quite a bit of news paper comment upon the fact that the Rev. I. Garland Penn, Jr., was appointed to the pastorate of the Williams Temple C. M. E. Church at Shreveport, La. Rev. Penn was at one time a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a pastor of said Church. Presumably one of the outstanding pastors. He is the son of the late Dr. I. Garland Penn, one of the foremost race men in his church. Rev. Penn, Jr., was also District Superintendent in his Church. According to News Paper reports he became involved in financial matters, etc., to the extent that it was necessary in order that he may save himself to leave his church and hunt shelter somewhere else. In seeking shelter it is reported that he came to the C. M. E. Church and was accepted. And in a recent Annual Conference was appointed to one of the most outstanding churches in our connection at Shreveport, La. The appointment of Rev. Penn to this church has caused quite a bit of comment. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that though Dr. Penn is well qualified intellectually, the Bishop in appointing him to Williams Temple because of the record behind Dr. Penn has made a colossal blunder.

There is a great question in the mind of the Editor of the Weekly Echo with reference to such appointment. We wonder if men should be taken in by other churches of other denominations who are running to save their hide we wonder if it pays, we wonder if it helps the church in general. We wonder if it helps the individual. We are of the opinion that if a man is a preacher in the C. M. E. Church and desires to flee from the wrath to come he should get a clean Board of Health from the denomination and the Church that he represents. And the same is true with ministers of other churches.

INTELLECTUAL TRAINING

The Editor of the Echo believes in intellectual training and ability, but we do not believe that Bishops and leaders should take men just because of their intellectual training and their supposed standing. I believe that some of our C. M. E. Leaders can be rightfully criticized for accepting men with out giving any consideration to their record. Quite a few outstanding C. M. Es. have brought this matter to our attention and not one is of the opinion that the appointment of Rev. Penn to such an outstanding church in our connection, to take care of our interest, was justifiable. I know that the C. M. E. Church as all other churches needs men. However, we believe that there are several men who are our men in our church who could have taken care of this church. It is a known fact that the News Papers have reported from time to time that the C. M. E. Church has lost one or two big churches in Chicago through Court Ligation and this has cost several thousand dollars aside from the loss of the property; and it is report that Dr. Penn was involved in these matters before coming to our church. May we candidly ask what is the wisdom and where is the good judgement in making such appointments? Somehow the Editor of the Weekly Echo has never been too much impressed with ministers leaving their own denomination and going to other churches. There are, however exceptions, but the exceptions should be this; that ministers who quit their churches and go to other churches do not leave under fire or criticism. I

Churches And Organizations To Be Awarded Prizes

THROUGH COURTESY OF THE MERIDIAN STAR AND BUSINESS CONCERNS.

Through the courtesy of the Meridian Star the Weekly Echo gives the names of the organizations, churches, etc., that are to receive prizes that have been made possible through the courtesy of the Meridian Star and some of the business organizations of the City. On behalf of the Colored people of this city the Weekly Echo expresses appreciation for the opportunity that has been given us as a group to do something for ourselves.

GOOD SAMARITAN CAMPAIGN

The Good Samaritan Campaign sponsored by the Star and some of the business concerns will mean much to those who will be awarded prizes and especially to our group during these depressed times when dollars, halves and quarters seem to hide. The three Colored churches to be awarded prizes will have gladden hearts Sunday.

A special invitation is extended Sunday and Sunday night by the Pastor of Newell Chapel Church to all members and friends to Sunday's Services.

THE STANDING OF THE CONTESTANTS IS AS FOLLOWS: COLORED

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church	Votes	94,663
Union Baptist Church	Votes	34,048
St. John Baptist Church	Votes	20,271
Thirty First Avenue Baptist Church	Votes	11,345
Baptist Seminary		10,000

Newell Chapel Church, Rev. Roy L. Young, Pastor, will receive \$25.00 prize, Rev. B. W. Coates, Pastor, of Union Baptist Church will receive \$15.00 prize, St. John Baptist Church, Rev. D. Evans, Pastor, will receive \$10.00 prize. The Echo will give a write up with reference to this campaign in next week's issue.

THE VOTES AMONG THE WHITE ORGANIZATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

W. M. U. of 15th Avenue Baptist	2,004,017.
Business & Professional Woman's Club	953,054.
Oak Grove Baptist Church	576,042.
Ladies Aux. First Presbyterian	285,962.
Fifth Street Methodist Missionary Society	221,854.
Poplar Spring Methodist	177,537.
American Legion	100,837.
Salvation Army	94,773.
Auxiliary of O. R. C.	22,263.
Truth Seeker Class E. End Methodist	18,096.
Matinee Musical Club	16,850.
Kings Daughters	14,988.
First Christian Society	14,911.
Magnolia Bud Jr. W. C. No. 5	13,453.
Catholic Ladies Aid	11,932.
Jones Memorial Presbyterian	10,000.
Garden Club	10,000.
41st. Avenue Baptist Church	10,000.

believe that if a minister becomes involved in matters not becoming in his own church or matters over which satisfaction can not be reached, that he should remain in that church until these differences are ironed out. And then if he desires to leave, leave honorably then there is a probability and possibility of being honorably accepted. Wrong running from one place to another does not make right. We hope that church leaders of all denominations will look well before accepting men who have been or who seem to be under fire in their own churches. We ask again what is the wisdom of making the Williams Temple C. M. E. Church appointment?

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